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Christ's Teachings are the "Commandments of God"

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"Commandments of God"

Topic: The Priesthood and
the Law Have Changed.

Hebrews 7:18-19

For there is verily a **disannulling of the commandment going before** for the weakness and unprofitableness thereof. For the law made nothing perfect, but the bringing in of a better hope did; by the which we draw nigh unto God.

Hebrews 7:11-12

If therefore perfection were by the Levitical priesthood, (for under it the people received the law,) what further need was there that another priest should rise after the order of Melchisedec, and not be called after the order of Aaron? For **the priesthood being changed, there is made of necessity a change also of the law.**

Hebrews 9:9-10

Which was a figure for the time then present, in which were offered both gifts and sacrifices, that could not make him that did the service perfect, as pertaining to the conscience; Which stood only in meats and drinks, and divers washings, and carnal ordinances, **imposed on them until the time of reformation.**

Harmonized Conclusion

The Old Testament's Levitical priesthood and its associated law were temporary and imperfect, necessitating their disannulling and change to bring in a better hope.

Topic: I Will Make a New
Covenant.

Hebrews 8:8

For finding fault with them, he saith, Behold, the days come, saith the Lord, when **I will make a new covenant** with the house of Israel and with the house of Judah:

Harmonized Conclusion

The Lord Himself promised to find fault with the old covenant and establish a new one.

Topic: The New Covenant is not
According to the Mt. Sinai Covenant.

Hebrews 8:9

Not according to the covenant that I made with their fathers in the day when I took them by the hand to lead them out of the land of Egypt; because they continued not in my covenant, and I regarded them not, saith the Lord.

Harmonized Conclusion

This new covenant is explicitly defined as being different from the covenant made at Mt. Sinai when Israel left Egypt.

Topic: The Promise Made to Abraham is
not According to the Law.

Galatians 3:18

For **if the inheritance be of the law, it is no more of promise:** but God gave it to Abraham by promise.

Romans 4:13

For the promise, that he should be the heir of the world, was **not to Abraham, or to his seed, through the law**, but through the righteousness of faith.

Romans 4:16

Therefore it is of faith, that it might be by grace; to the end the promise might be sure to all the seed; not to that only which is of the law, but to that also which is of the faith of Abraham; who is the father of us all,

Harmonized Conclusion

The promise of inheritance given to Abraham was based on faith and grace, standing separate from the law.

Topic: “The Royal Law of Liberty” is, “Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself.”

James 2:8-9

If ye fulfil **the royal law** according to the scripture, **Thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself**, ye do well: But if ye have respect to persons, ye commit sin, and are convinced of the law as transgressors.

James 2:12

So speak ye, and so do, as they that shall be **judged by the law of liberty.**

Harmonized Conclusion

The "royal law" is to love your neighbor as yourself, and this is the "law of liberty" by which men are to speak, act, and be judged.

Topic: Christ's Teachings are "the Laws of liberty" that will Judge the World.

John 12:48

He that rejecteth me, and receiveth not my words, hath one that judgeth him: **the word that I have spoken, the same shall judge him** in the last day.

James 2:12

So speak ye, and so do, as they that shall be **judged by the law of liberty.**

Harmonized Conclusion

The words spoken by Jesus Christ constitute the "law of liberty" that will serve as the standard of judgment in the last day.

Topic: Example of How the Law to “Love One Another” will Judge the World.

Matthew 25:31-46

When the Son of man shall come in his glory, and all the holy angels with him, then shall he sit upon the throne of his glory: And before him shall be gathered all nations: and he shall separate them one from another, as a shepherd divideth his sheep from the goats: And he shall set the sheep on his right hand, but the goats on the left. Then shall the King say unto them on his right hand, Come, ye blessed of my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world: For I was an hungred, and ye gave me meat: I was thirsty, and ye gave me drink: I was a stranger, and ye took me in: Naked, and ye clothed me: I was sick, and ye visited me: I was in prison, and ye came unto me. Then shall the righteous answer him, saying, Lord, when saw we thee an hungred, and fed thee? or thirsty, and gave thee drink? When saw we thee a stranger, and took thee in? or naked, and clothed thee? Or when saw we thee sick, or in prison, and came unto thee? And the King shall answer and say unto them, Verily I say unto you, **Inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these my brethren, ye have done it unto me.** Then shall he say also unto them on the left hand, Depart from me, ye cursed, into everlasting fire, prepared for the devil and his angels: For I was an hungred, and ye gave me no meat: I was thirsty, and ye gave me no drink: I was a stranger, and ye took me not in: naked, and ye clothed me not: sick, and in prison, and ye visited me not. Then shall they also answer him, saying, Lord, when saw we thee an hungred, or athirst, or a stranger, or naked, or sick, or in prison, and did not minister unto thee? Then shall he answer them, saying, Verily I say unto you, **Inasmuch as ye did it not to one of the least of these, ye did it not to me.** And these shall go away into everlasting punishment: but the righteous into life eternal.

Harmonized Conclusion

The final judgment is based on the law of love; separating nations is based on whether they did or did not minister to "the least of these," which Christ counts as ministering unto Him.

Topic: Love Fulfills the Law, Love
Does No Harm to His Neighbor.

Romans 3:31

Do we then make void the law through faith? God forbid: yea, **we establish the law.**

Galatians 5:13-14

For, brethren, ye have been called unto liberty; only use not liberty for an occasion to the flesh, but by love serve one another. For **all the law is fulfilled in one word**, even in this; **Thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself.**

Romans 13:9-10

For this, Thou shalt not commit adultery, Thou shalt not kill, Thou shalt not steal, Thou shalt not bear false witness, Thou shalt not covet; and if there be any other commandment, it is briefly comprehended in this saying, namely, Thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself. **Love worketh no ill to his neighbour: therefore love is the fulfilling of the law.**

Galatians 5:22-23

But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, longsuffering, gentleness, goodness, faith, Meekness, temperance: **against such there is no law.**

Harmonized Conclusion

Faith establishes the law, which is fulfilled in one command: to love your neighbor, as love works no ill and is the fruit of the Spirit against which there is no law.

Topic: The Great Commission

Matthew 28:18-20

And Jesus came and spake unto them, saying, All power is given unto me in heaven and in earth. Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost: **Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you:** and, lo, I am with you alway, even unto the end of the world. Amen.

Harmonized Conclusion

The Great Commission, given with all power, is to teach all nations to observe all things that Christ commanded.

Topic: Keep My
Commandments

John 14:15

If ye love me, keep my commandments.

Harmonized Conclusion

Obedience to Christ's commandments is the defining proof of love for Him.

Topic: A New Commandment

John 13:34-35

A new commandment I give unto you, That ye love one another; as I have loved you, that ye also love one another. By this shall all men know that ye are my disciples, if ye have love one to another.

Harmonized Conclusion

Christ issued a new commandment to love one another as He has loved us, making this love the defining mark of a disciple.

Topic: Believe In Me

John 14:11

Believe me that I am in the Father, and the Father in me: or else believe me for the very works' sake.

Harmonized Conclusion

We are commanded to believe in Christ's unity with the Father, a truth confirmed by His works.

Topic: Our Father is in
Heaven

Matthew 5:16

Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works,
and **glorify your Father which is in heaven.**

Matthew 5:45

That ye may be the **children of your Father which is in heaven**: for he maketh his sun to rise on the evil and on the good, and sendeth rain on the just and on the unjust.

Harmonized Conclusion

God is our Father in heaven, and our actions should both glorify Him and reflect our status as His children.

Topic: Be An Example

Matthew 5:16

Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father which is in heaven.

Harmonized Conclusion

Believers are commanded to be a visible example to all men through their good works.

Topic: Hatred is Murder

Matthew 5:21-22

Ye have heard that it was said by them of old time, Thou shalt not kill; and whosoever shall kill shall be in danger of the judgment: But I say unto you, That **whosoever is angry with his brother without a cause shall be in danger of the judgment:** and whosoever shall say to his brother, Raca, shall be in danger of the council: but whosoever shall say, Thou fool, shall be in danger of hell fire.

Harmonized Conclusion

Christ's teaching elevates the law, equating unjust anger against a brother with murder and making it subject to judgment.

Topic: Reconciliation

Matthew 5:23-24

Therefore if thou bring thy gift to the altar, and there rememberest that thy brother hath ought against thee; Leave there thy gift before the altar, and go thy way; **first be reconciled to thy brother**, and then come and offer thy gift.

Luke 12:58-59

When thou goest with thine adversary to the magistrate, as thou art in the way, **give diligence that thou mayest be delivered from him**; lest he hale thee to the judge, and the judge deliver thee to the officer, and the officer cast thee into prison. I tell thee, thou shalt not depart thence, till thou hast paid the very last mite.

Luke 14:31-32

Or what king, going to make war against another king, sitteth not down first, and consulteth whether he be able with ten thousand to meet him that cometh against him with twenty thousand? Or else, while the other is yet a great way off, he sendeth an ambassage, and **desireth conditions of peace.**

Luke 19:8-10

And Zacchaeus stood, and said unto the Lord; Behold, Lord, the half of my goods I give to the poor; and **if I have taken any thing from any man by false accusation, I restore him fourfold.** And Jesus said unto him, This day is salvation come to this house, forsomuch as he also is a son of Abraham. For the Son of man is come to seek and to save that which was

Harmonized Conclusion

Reconciliation with our brother is a prerequisite to worship and requires diligent effort, making peace and restoring what was taken.

Topic: Lust is Adultery

Matthew 5:27-28

Ye have heard that it was said by them of old time, Thou shalt not commit adultery: But I say unto you, That **whosoever looketh on a woman to lust after her hath committed adultery with her already in his heart.**

Harmonized Conclusion

Christ's teaching on adultery transcends the physical act, condemning the initial lust in the heart as the sin itself.

Topic: Repentance

Luke 13:3

I tell you, Nay: but, **except ye repent, ye shall all likewise perish.**

Luke 13:5

I tell you, Nay: but, **except ye repent, ye shall all likewise perish.**

Luke 24:47

And that **repentance and remission of sins should be preached** in his name among all nations, beginning at Jerusalem.

Luke 3:8

Bring forth therefore fruits worthy of repentance, and begin not to say within yourselves, We have Abraham to our father: for I say unto you, That God is able of these stones to raise up children unto Abraham.

Luke 8:15

But that on the good ground are they, which in an honest and good heart, having heard the word, **keep it, and bring forth fruit with patience.**

Matthew 7:17

Even so **every good tree bringeth forth good fruit**; but a corrupt tree
bringeth forth evil fruit.

Matthew 26:41

Watch and pray, that ye enter not into temptation: the spirit indeed is willing, but the flesh is weak.

ohn 3:6

That which is born of the flesh is flesh; and **that which is born of the Spirit is spirit.**

Matthew 7:13

Enter ye in at the strait gate: for wide is the gate, and broad is the way, that leadeth to destruction, and many there be which go in thereat:

Mark 8:34

And when he had called the people unto him with his disciples also, he said unto them, Whosoever will come after me, **let him deny himself, and take up his cross, and follow me.**

Matthew 5:29-30

And **if thy right eye offend thee, pluck it out**, and cast it from thee: for it is profitable for thee that one of thy members should perish, and not that thy whole body should be cast into hell. And if thy right hand offend thee, cut it off, and cast it from thee: for it is profitable for thee that one of thy members should perish, and not that thy whole body should be cast into hell.

Mark 9:43

And **if thy hand offend thee, cut it off**: it is better for thee to enter into life maimed, than having two hands to go into hell, into the fire that never shall be quenched:

Mark 9:41

For **whosoever shall give you a cup of water to drink in my name, because ye belong to Christ**, verily I say unto you, he shall not lose his reward.

Matthew 23:25-28

Woe unto you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites! for ye make clean the outside of the cup and of the platter, but within they are full of extortion and excess. Thou blind Pharisee, **cleanse first that which is within the cup and platter**, that the outside of them may be clean also.

Woe unto you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites! for ye are like unto whited sepulchres, which indeed appear beautiful outward, but are within full of dead men's bones, and of all uncleanness. Even so ye also outwardly appear righteous unto men, but within ye are full of hypocrisy and iniquity.

Luke 15:11-32

And he said, A certain man had two sons: ...And when he came to himself, he said, How many hired servants of my father's have bread enough and to spare, and I perish with hunger! **I will arise and go to my father, and will say unto him, Father, I have sinned against heaven, and before thee,** And am no more worthy to be called thy son: make me as one of thy hired servants. And he arose, and came to his father. But when he was yet a great way off, his father saw him, and had compassion... For this my son was dead, and is alive again; he was lost, and is found.

Harmonized Conclusion

Repentance is a non-negotiable command for all to avoid perishing, demonstrated by bringing forth good fruit from a changed heart and spirit rather than outward appearances.

Topic: Divorce

Luke 16:18

Whosoever putteth away his wife, and marrieth another, committeth adultery: and whosoever marrieth her that is put away from her husband committeth adultery.

Matthew 5:31-32

It hath been said, Whosoever shall put away his wife, let him give her a writing of divorcement: But I say unto you, That **whosoever shall put away his wife, saving for the cause of fornication, causeth her to commit adultery:** and whosoever shall marry her that is divorced committeth adultery.

Matthew 19:8-9

He saith unto them, Moses because of the hardness of your hearts suffered you to put away your wives: but from the beginning it was not so. And I say unto you, **Whosoever shall put away his wife, except it be for fornication, and shall marry another, committeth adultery:** and whoso marrieth her which is put away doth commit adultery.

Mark 10:5-12

And Jesus answered and said unto them, For the hardness of your heart he wrote you this precept. But from the beginning of the creation God made them male and female. For this cause shall a man leave his father and mother, and cleave to his wife; And they twain shall be one flesh: so then they are no more twain, but one flesh. **What therefore God hath joined together, let not man put asunder.** ...And he saith unto them, Whosoever shall put away his wife, and marry another, committeth adultery against her. And if

Harmonized Conclusion

God's original design for marriage is one flesh, which man should not separate; Christ teaches that divorce, followed by remarriage, is adultery, with fornication being the only exception mentioned.

Topic: Fasting

Matthew 6:16-18

Moreover when ye fast, be not, as the hypocrites, of a sad countenance: for they disfigure their faces, that they may appear unto men to fast. Verily I say unto you, They have their reward. But thou, when thou fastest, anoint thine head, and wash thy face; **That thou appear not unto men to fast, but unto thy Father which is in secret:** and thy Father, which seeth in secret, shall reward thee openly.

Harmonized Conclusion

Fasting is to be done in secret for the Father, not as a public display to be seen by men.

Topic: Oaths

Matthew 5:33-37

Again, ye have heard that it hath been said by them of old time, Thou shalt not forswear thyself, but shalt perform unto the Lord thine oaths: But I say unto you, **Swear not at all**; neither by heaven; for it is God's throne: Nor by the earth; for it is his footstool: neither by Jerusalem; for it is the city of the great King. Neither shalt thou swear by thy head, because thou canst not make one hair white or black. **But let your communication be, Yea, yea; Nay, nay**: for whatsoever is more than these cometh of evil.

Matthew 23:16-24

Woe unto you, ye blind guides, which say, Whosoever shall swear by the temple, it is nothing; but whosoever shall swear by the gold of the temple, he is a debtor! ...**Whoso therefore shall swear by the altar, sweareth by it, and by all things thereon.** And whoso shall swear by the temple, sweareth by it, and by him that dwelleth therein. And **he that shall swear by heaven, sweareth by the throne of God, and by him that sitteth thereon.** ...Ye blind guides, which strain at a gnat, and swallow a camel.

Harmonized Conclusion

Christ commands believers to "Swear not at all," replacing complex oaths with a simple "Yea" or "Nay," as any oath ultimately swears by God Himself.

Topic: Forgive Injuries

Mark 11:25

And when ye stand praying, **forgive, if ye have ought against any:** that your Father also which is in heaven may forgive you your trespasses.

Luke 6:36-37

Be ye therefore merciful, as your Father also is merciful. ¶ Judge not, and ye shall not be judged: condemn not, and ye shall not be condemned: **forgive, and ye shall be forgiven:**

Matthew 5:38-39

Ye have heard that it hath been said, An eye for an eye, and a tooth for a tooth: But I say unto you, **That ye resist not evil:** but whosoever shall smite thee on thy right cheek, turn to him the other also.

Matthew 5:33-37

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Luke 17:3-4

Take heed to yourselves: If thy brother trespass against thee, rebuke him; and **if he repent, forgive him**. And if he trespass against thee seven times in a day, and seven times in a day turn again to thee, saying, I repent; thou shalt forgive him.

Harmonized Conclusion

We are commanded to be merciful and forgive those who trespass against us, as our own forgiveness from the Father is dependent upon it.

Topic: Lawsuits

Matthew 5:40

And if any man will sue thee at the law, and take away thy coat, **let him have thy cloke also.**

Harmonized Conclusion

In matters of lawsuits, the teaching is to yield more than what is being demanded.

Topic: Injustice

Matthew 5:41

And whosoever shall compel thee to go a mile, **go with him twain.**

Matthew 27:32

And as they came out, they found a man of Cyrene, Simon by name:
him they compelled to bear his cross.

Harmonized Conclusion

When faced with unjust compulsion, the command is to go beyond the demand, as exemplified by Simon being compelled to bear the cross.

Topic: Charity

Matthew 5:42

Give to him that asketh thee, and from him that would borrow of thee turn not thou away.

Harmonized Conclusion

The command regarding charity is to give to those who ask and not turn away from those who would borrow.

Topic: Love Enemies

Matthew 5:43-48

Ye have heard that it hath been said, Thou shalt love thy neighbour, and hate thine enemy. But I say unto you, **Love your enemies, bless them that curse you, do good to them that hate you, and pray for them which despitefully use you, and persecute you;** That ye may be the children of your Father which is in heaven... For if ye love them which love you, what reward have ye? ...Be ye therefore perfect, even as your Father which is in heaven is perfect.

Harmonized Conclusion

Christ's command is to supersede the old standard by actively loving, blessing, doing good to, and praying for our enemies, thereby reflecting the perfection of the Father.

Topic: Giving To The Poor

Luke 11:41

But rather **give alms of such things as ye have**; and, behold, all things are clean unto you.

Mark 14:7

For **ye have the poor with you always**, and whensoever ye will ye may do them good: but me ye have not always.

Luke 18:22

Now when Jesus heard these things, he said unto him, Yet lackest thou one thing: **sell all that thou hast, and distribute unto the poor**, and thou shalt have treasure in heaven: and come, follow me.

Matthew 6:1-4

Take heed that ye do not your alms before men, to be seen of them...
But when thou doest alms, let not thy left hand know what thy right hand doeth: **That thine alms may be in secret:** and thy Father which seeth in secret himself shall reward thee openly.

Harmonized Conclusion

We are to give alms to the poor, whom we have with us always, doing so in secret rather than for the praise of men.

Topic: Prayer

Matthew 21:22

And all things, **whatsoever ye shall ask in prayer, believing, ye shall receive.**

John 14:13

And **whatsoever ye shall ask in my name, that will I do**, that the Father may be glorified in the Son.

Matthew 6:5-8

And when thou prayest, thou shalt not be as the hypocrites are: for they love to pray standing in the synagogues and in the corners of the streets, that they may be seen of men. ...But thou, when thou prayest, **enter into thy closet, and when thou hast shut thy door, pray to thy Father which is in secret;** ...for your Father knoweth what things ye have need of, before ye ask him.

Matthew 6:9-13

After this manner therefore pray ye: **Our Father which art in heaven, Hallowed be thy name.** Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done in earth, as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil: For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever. Amen.

Harmonized Conclusion

Prayer is to be done in secret to the Father, believing and asking in Christ's name, according to the model He provided.

Topic: Wealth

Matthew 6:19-21

Lay not up for yourselves treasures upon earth, where moth and rust doth corrupt, and where thieves break through and steal: But **lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven...** For where your treasure is, there will your heart be also.

Harmonized Conclusion

Believers are commanded not to store treasures on earth, but rather to lay up treasures in heaven, as one's heart follows one's treasure.

Topic: God Or Money?

Matthew 6:22-24

The light of the body is the eye: if therefore thine eye be single, thy whole body shall be full of light. But if thine eye be evil, thy whole body shall be full of darkness. If therefore the light that is in thee be darkness, how great is that darkness! **No man can serve two masters:** for either he will hate the one, and love the other; or else he will hold to the one, and despise the other. **Ye cannot serve God and mammon.**

Harmonized Conclusion

It is impossible to serve both God and mammon (money), as devotion to one requires despising the other.

Topic: Anxiety

Matthew 6:25

Therefore I say unto you, **Take no thought for your life, what ye shall eat, or what ye shall drink;** nor yet for your body, what ye shall put on. Is not the life more than meat, and the body than raiment?

Matthew 6:31-34

Therefore take no thought, saying, What shall we eat? or, What shall we drink? or, Wherewithal shall we be clothed? ...for your heavenly Father knoweth that ye have need of all these things. But **seek ye first the kingdom of God, and his righteousness; and all these things shall be added unto you.** Take therefore no thought for the morrow: for the morrow shall take thought for the things of itself.

Harmonized Conclusion

We are commanded to take no anxious thought for our physical needs; instead, we must seek first the kingdom of God, trusting the Father to add all these things to us.

Topic: Judging Others / Self
Examination

Matthew 7:1-5

Judge not, that ye be not judged. For with what judgment ye judge, ye shall be judged: and with what measure ye mete, it shall be measured to you again. And why beholdest thou the mote that is in thy brother's eye, but considerest not the beam that is in thine own eye? ...**Thou hypocrite, first cast out the beam out of thine own eye;** and then shalt thou see clearly to cast out the mote out of thy brother's eye.

Harmonized Conclusion

We are commanded not to judge, lest we be judged by the same standard; we must first address the larger faults in ourselves before attempting to correct smaller faults in others.

Topic: Wisdom

Matthew 7:6

Give not that which is holy unto the dogs, neither cast ye your pearls before swine, lest they trample them under their feet, and turn again and rend you.

Harmonized Conclusion

Wisdom requires that we do not give holy things to those who will desecrate them and turn on us.

Topic: Faith

Matthew 7:7-11

Ask, and it shall be given you; seek, and ye shall find; knock, and it shall be opened unto you: For every one that asketh receiveth... If ye then, being evil, know how to give good gifts unto your children, **how much more shall your Father which is in heaven give good things to them that ask him?**

John 16:23-24

And in that day ye shall ask me nothing. Verily, verily, I say unto you,
Whatsoever ye shall ask the Father in my name, he will give it you.
Hitherto have ye asked nothing in my name: ask, and ye shall receive,
that your joy may be full.

Harmonized Conclusion

Faith is expressed by asking, seeking, and knocking, trusting that our heavenly Father will give good things to us when we ask in Christ's name.

Topic: The Golden Rule

Matthew 7:12

Therefore **all things whatsoever ye would that men should do to you, do ye even so to them:** for this is the law and the prophets.

Harmonized Conclusion

The "Golden Rule" is to treat others exactly as we would want them to treat us, a principle which summarizes the law and the prophets.

Topic: Follow Christ, Not
the Crowd

Matthew 7:13-14

Enter ye in at the strait gate: for wide is the gate, and broad is the way, that leadeth to destruction, and many there be which go in thereat: Because **strait is the gate, and narrow is the way, which leadeth unto life, and few there be that find it.**

Harmonized Conclusion

The path to destruction is broad and followed by many, but the path to life is narrow and found by few.

Topic: Avoid the Teachings of
False Prophets

Luke 6:26

Woe unto you, when all men shall speak well of you! for so did their fathers to the false prophets.

Matthew 7:15-20

Beware of false prophets, which come to you in sheep's clothing, but inwardly they are ravening wolves. **Ye shall know them by their fruits.** Do men gather grapes of thorns, or figs of thistles? Even so every good tree bringeth forth good fruit; but a corrupt tree bringeth forth evil fruit. ...Wherefore by their fruits ye shall know them

Harmonized Conclusion

We must beware of false prophets, who are known not by their words but by their fruits, and be wary of universal praise, which was given to false prophets of old.

Topic: False Converts,
Continue Living in Sin

Matthew 7:21-23

Not every one that saith unto me, Lord, Lord, shall enter into the kingdom of heaven; but he that doeth the will of my Father which is in heaven. Many will say to me in that day, Lord, Lord, have we not prophesied in thy name? ...And then will I profess unto them, I never knew you: **depart from me, ye that work iniquity.**

Matthew 24:24

For there shall arise false Christs, and false prophets, and **shall shew great signs and wonders**; insomuch that, if it were possible, they shall deceive the very elect.

Harmonized Conclusion

Many who profess Christ, and even perform wonderful works, will be rejected as workers of iniquity because they do not do the will of the Father.

Topic: Following Christ Is the
Only Firm Foundation

Matthew 7:24-27

Therefore **whosoever heareth these sayings of mine, and doeth them, I will liken him unto a wise man, which built his house upon a rock:**
...And every one that heareth these sayings of mine, and doeth them not, shall be likened unto a foolish man, which built his house upon the sand: ...and great was the fall of it.

Harmonized Conclusion

The only firm foundation is to both hear Christ's sayings and do them; hearing alone without doing leads to a great fall.

Topic: Persecution

Matthew 10:16-39

Behold, I send you forth as sheep in the midst of wolves: be ye therefore wise as serpents, and harmless as doves. ...**And ye shall be hated of all men for my name's sake:** but he that endureth to the end shall be saved. ...The disciple is not above his master... **fear not them which kill the body, but are not able to kill the soul:** but rather fear him which is able to destroy both soul and body in hell. ...Whosoever therefore shall confess me before men, him will I confess also before my Father which is in heaven. ...**Think not that I am come to send peace on earth: I came not to send peace, but a sword.** ...He that loveth father or mother more than me is not worthy of me... And he that taketh not his cross, and followeth after me, is not worthy of me. ...he that loseth his life for my sake shall find it.

Harmonized Conclusion

Followers of Christ will be hated and persecuted for His name's sake, but they must endure, fearing only God and confessing Christ above all, even family.

Topic: Self-denial

Matthew 16:24

Then said Jesus unto his disciples, **If any man will come after me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross, and follow me.**

Harmonized Conclusion

The requirement for following Christ is to deny oneself, take up one's cross, and follow Him.

Topic: Temptations to Sin

Matthew 18:6-10

But **whoso shall offend one of these little ones which believe in me, it were better for him that a millstone were hanged about his neck, and that he were drowned in the depth of the sea.** ¶ Woe unto the world because of offences! ...**woe to that man by whom the offence cometh!** Wherefore if thy hand or thy foot offend thee, cut them off, and cast them from thee: it is better for thee to enter into life halt or maimed, rather than having two hands or two feet to be cast into everlasting fire.

Harmonized Conclusion

Tempting a believer to sin (offend) brings a severe woe, and we are commanded to take drastic, decisive action to remove any source of offence from our own lives.

Topic: Seeking the Lost

Matthew 18:11-14

For **the Son of man is come to save that which was lost.** How think ye? if a man have an hundred sheep, and one of them be gone astray, doth he not leave the ninety and nine... and seeketh that which is gone astray? ...Even so **it is not the will of your Father which is in heaven, that one of these little ones should perish.**

Harmonized Conclusion

Just as a shepherd seeks one lost sheep, it is the Father's will that not one little one should perish, for the Son of Man came to save the lost.

Topic: Civil Duties

Matthew 22:21

They say unto him, Caesar's. Then saith he unto them, **Render therefore unto Caesar the things which are Caesar's; and unto God the things that are God's.**

Harmonized Conclusion

We have a duty to render to the civil government (Caesar) what is its, and to God what is His.

Topic: Food

Matthew 15:16-20

And Jesus said, Are ye also yet without understanding? ...whatsoever entereth in at the mouth goeth into the belly, and is cast out into the draught? But **those things which proceed out of the mouth come forth from the heart; and they defile the man.** For out of the heart proceed evil thoughts, murders, adulteries, fornications, thefts, false witness, blasphemies: **These are the things which defile a man:** but to eat with unwashen hands defileth not a man.

Harmonized Conclusion

Defilement comes not from physical food or unwashed hands, but from the evil thoughts and sins that proceed from the heart.

Topic: Love God & Man

Matthew 22:34-40

But when the Pharisees had heard that he had put the Sadducees to silence, they were gathered together. Then one of them, which was a lawyer, asked him a question, tempting him, and saying, Master, which is the great commandment in the law? Jesus said unto him, **Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind.** This is the first and great commandment. And the second is like unto it, **Thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself.** On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets.

Harmonized Conclusion

The two greatest commandments, upon which all the law and prophets hang, are to love God completely and to love your neighbor as yourself.

Topic: Forbid Him Not

Mark 9:38-39

And John answered him, saying, Master, we saw one casting out devils in thy name, and he followeth not us: and we forbad him, because he followeth not us. But Jesus said, **Forbid him not:** for there is no man which shall do a miracle in my name, that can lightly speak evil of me.

Harmonized Conclusion

We are instructed not to forbid someone who is doing a good work in Christ's name, even if he does not follow with us.

Topic: Have Faith in God

Mark 11:22

And Jesus answering saith unto them, **Have faith in God.**

Harmonized Conclusion

The foundational command from Christ is to "Have faith in God."

Topic: If Thy Brother Shall
Trespass Against Thee

Matthew 18:15-20

Moreover **if thy brother shall trespass against thee, go and tell him his fault between thee and him alone:** if he shall hear thee, thou hast gained thy brother. But if he will not hear thee, then take with thee one or two more, that in the mouth of two or three witnesses every word may be established. And if he shall neglect to hear them, tell it unto the church: but **if he neglect to hear the church, let him be unto thee as an heathen man and a publican.** ...For where two or three are gathered together in my name, there am I in the midst of them.

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Topic: Forgiveness

Matthew 18:21-22

Then came Peter to him, and said, Lord, how oft shall my brother sin against me, and I forgive him? till seven times? Jesus saith unto him, I say not unto thee, Until seven times: but, **Until seventy times seven.**

Harmonized Conclusion

The command to forgive a brother is not limited but is to be extended limitlessly, as symbolized by "seventy times seven."

Topic: Love Thy Neighbor

Matthew 19:16-19

And, behold, one came and said unto him, Good Master, what good thing shall I do, that I may have eternal life? ...but **if thou wilt enter into life, keep the commandments.** He saith unto him, Which? Jesus said, Thou shalt do no murder, Thou shalt not commit adultery, Thou shalt not steal, Thou shalt not bear false witness, Honour thy father and thy mother: and, **Thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself.**

Harmonized Conclusion

To enter into life, one must keep the commandments, which Christ summarized as culminating in "Thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself."

Topic: The Greatest are
Servants

Matthew 20:25-28

But Jesus called them unto him, and said, Ye know that the princes of the Gentiles exercise dominion over them... But it shall not be so among you: but **whosoever will be great among you, let him be your minister**; And **whosoever will be chief among you, let him be your servant**: Even as the Son of man came not to be ministered unto, but to minister, and to give his life a ransom for many.

Harmonized Conclusion

In Christ's kingdom, greatness is defined not by authority, but by service, following the example of the Son of man.

Topic: Be Ready

Matthew 24:42-51

Watch therefore: for ye know not what hour your Lord doth come.

...Therefore **be ye also ready**: for in such an hour as ye think not the Son of man cometh. ...Blessed is that servant, whom his lord when he cometh shall find so doing. ...But and if that evil servant shall say in his heart, My lord delayeth his coming; ...The lord of that servant shall come in a day when he looketh not for him... and appoint him his portion with the hypocrites: there shall be weeping and gnashing of teeth.

Harmonized Conclusion

We are commanded to watch and be perpetually ready for the Lord's unknown return, as He will bless the faithful servant and condemn the unfaithful.

Topic: Ye Did it Unto to Me

Matthew 25:34-46

Then shall the King say unto them on his right hand, Come, ye blessed of my Father... For I was an hungred, and ye gave me meat: I was thirsty, and ye gave me drink... And the King shall answer and say unto them, Verily I say unto you, **Inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these my brethren, ye have done it unto me.** ...Then shall he answer them, saying, Verily I say unto you, **Inasmuch as ye did it not to one of the least of these, ye did it not to me.** And these shall go away into everlasting punishment: but the righteous into life eternal.

Harmonized Conclusion

Our treatment of "the least of these" is counted by Christ as our treatment of Him personally, and it serves as the basis for judgment unto eternal life or everlasting punishment.

Topic: Beware of
Covetousness

Luke 12:12-31

...And he said unto him, Man, who made me a judge or a divider over you? And he said unto them, **Take heed, and beware of covetousness: for a man's life consisteth not in the abundance of the things which he possesseth.** ...The ground of a certain rich man brought forth plentifully: ...And I will say to my soul, Soul, thou hast much goods laid up for many years; take thine ease, eat, drink, and be merry. But God said unto him, **Thou fool, this night thy soul shall be required of thee:** ...So is he that layeth up treasure for himself, and is not rich toward God. ...But rather seek ye the kingdom of God; and all these things shall be added unto you.

Harmonized Conclusion

We must beware of covetousness, understanding that life is not defined by possessions; laying up treasure for oneself instead of being rich toward God is the act of a fool.

Topic: Judge Not According
to the Appearance

John 7:24

Judge not according to the appearance, but judge righteous judgment.

Harmonized Conclusion

The command is to avoid superficial judgments based on appearance and instead to judge with righteous judgment.

Topic: Keep My Words

John 14:23-24

Jesus answered and said unto him, **If a man love me, he will keep my words:** and my Father will love him, and we will come unto him, and make our abode with him. **He that loveth me not keepeth not my sayings:** and the word which ye hear is not mine, but the Father's which sent me.

Harmonized Conclusion

Keeping Christ's words is the evidence of love for Him, and determines whether the Father and Son will make their abode with a man.

Topic: Bear Fruit

John 15:2

Every branch in me that beareth not fruit he taketh away: and every branch that beareth fruit, he purgeth it, that it may bring forth more fruit.

Harmonized Conclusion

A branch in Christ that does not bear fruit is taken away, while a fruit-bearing branch is purged to become more fruitful.

Topic: Abide In Me

John 15:4-12

Abide in me, and I in you. As the branch cannot bear fruit of itself, except it abide in the vine; no more can ye, except ye abide in me. ...**for without me ye can do nothing.** If a man abide not in me, he is cast forth as a branch, and is withered; and men gather them, and cast them into the fire, and they are burned. If ye abide in me, and my words abide in you, ye shall ask what ye will, and it shall be done unto you. ...**If ye keep my commandments, ye shall abide in my love...** This is my commandment, That ye love one another, as I have loved you.

Harmonized Conclusion

We are commanded to abide in Christ, as we can do nothing and bear no fruit apart from Him; abiding in His love is accomplished by keeping His commandments.

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